

One Hundred Sixth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,
the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine*

An Act

To redesignate the Coastal Barrier Resources System as the “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Act”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) during the past 2 decades, Senator John H. Chafee was a leading voice for the protection of the environment and the conservation of the natural resources of the United States;

(2) Senator Chafee served on the Environment and Public Works Committee of the Senate for 22 years, influencing every major piece of environmental legislation enacted during that time;

(3) Senator Chafee led the fight for clean air, clean water, safe drinking water, and cleanup of toxic wastes, and for strengthening of the National Wildlife Refuge System and protections for endangered species and their habitats;

(4) millions of people of the United States breathe cleaner air, drink cleaner water, and enjoy more plentiful outdoor recreation opportunities because of the work of Senator Chafee;

(5) in 1982, Senator Chafee authored and succeeded in enacting into law the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) to minimize loss of human life, wasteful expenditure of Federal revenues, and damage to fish, wildlife, and other natural resources associated with the coastal barriers along the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts; and

(6) to reflect the invaluable national contributions made by Senator Chafee during his service in the Senate, the Coastal Barrier Resources System should be named in his honor.

**SEC. 3. REDESIGNATION OF COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM
IN HONOR OF JOHN H. CHAFEE.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Coastal Barrier Resources System established by section 4(a) of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3503(a)) is redesignated as the “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

(b) **REFERENCES.**—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Coastal Barrier Resources System shall be deemed to be a reference to the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System.

(c) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—

(1) Section 2(b) of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3501(b)) is amended by striking “a Coastal Barrier Resources System” and inserting “the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

(2) Section 3 of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3502) is amended by striking “Coastal Barrier Resources System” each place it appears and inserting “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

(3) Section 4 of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3503) is amended—

(A) in the section heading, by striking “**COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM**” and inserting “**JOHN H. CHAFEE COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM**”; and

(B) in subsection (a), by striking “the Coastal Barrier Resources System” and inserting “the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

(4) Section 10(c)(2) of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3509(c)(2)) is amended by striking “Coastal Barrier Resources System” and inserting “System”.

(5) Section 10(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 (12 U.S.C. 1441a–3(c)(2)(B)(i)) is amended by striking “Coastal Barrier Resources System” and inserting “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

(6) Section 12(5) of the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 3503 note; Public Law 101–591) is amended by striking “Coastal Barrier Resources System” and inserting “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

(7) Section 1321 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4028) is amended—

(A) by striking the section heading and inserting the following:

“**JOHN H. CHAFEE COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM**”;

and

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(B) by striking “Coastal Barrier Resources System” each place it appears and inserting “John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System”.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*